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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Ulrich Schiestl et al.
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FOR: Combustion-Engined Setting Tool
EXAMINER: Michelle Lopez Group 3721

Mail Stop **Amendment**
Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2005 in which the Examiner rejected Claims 1-4 and 7-9 as being unapertentable over the prior art, and indicated that Claims 5-6 would become allowable upon having been rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitation of the base claim and any intervening claims.

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of Claims 5-6 is noted and appreciated. However, it is respectfully submitted that rewriting Claims 5-6 in

independent form is not necessary as all of the claims are believed to be allowable over the prior art.

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: